

**Brunswick School Department**  
**Grade 7**  
**Electricity and Magnetism**

<b>Essential Understandings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Magnetism and electricity are related.</li> <li>▪ Magnetism works because of a certain arrangement and type of atoms.</li> <li>▪ Electricity is the result of the movement of electrons.</li> <li>▪ The components of electrical systems are interrelated and are made up of sub-systems, which have inputs, outputs, and feedback loops.</li> <li>▪ A system requires individual parts working together.</li> </ul>
<b>Essential Questions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ What is magnetism?</li> <li>▪ What is electricity?</li> <li>▪ How are magnetism and electricity related?</li> <li>▪ How does the arrangement of atoms cause magnetism?</li> <li>▪ How does the movement of electrons cause electricity?</li> <li>▪ How can an electrical circuit be considered a system?</li> </ul>
<b>Essential Knowledge</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Like charges repel and opposite charges attract.</li> <li>▪ Certain substances conduct while others insulate against electrical energy.</li> <li>▪ Circuits can be set up to do work.</li> <li>▪ Magnets have magnetic poles that produce magnetic fields.</li> <li>▪ Magnets can be used to produce electricity.</li> <li>▪ Electricity can be used to create magnets.</li> </ul>
<b>Vocabulary</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <u>Terms:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. magnet, magnetism, pole, domain, magnetic field, insulator, conductor, electricity, electrons, Ohm's Law, volts, amperes, ohms, watts, resistor, types of circuits (open, complete, short, parallel, series), motor, generator</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Essential Skills</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Use magnets to show magnetic fields.</li> <li>▪ Design and build a working electrical circuit.</li> <li>▪ Design and build an electro-magnet.</li> </ul>
<b>Related Maine Learning Results</b>	<p><u>Science</u></p> <p>A. Unifying Themes</p> <p>A1. Systems</p> <p>Students apply the principles of systems, models, constancy and change, and scale in science and technology.</p> <p>a. Explain how individual parts working together in a system (including organisms, Earth systems, solar systems, or man-made structures) can do more than each part individually.</p> <p>A3. Constancy and Change</p> <p>Students describe how patterns of change vary in physical, biological, and technological systems.</p> <p>b. Give examples of systems including ecosystems, Earth systems, and technologies that appear to be unchanging (even though things may be changing within the system) and identify and feedback mechanisms that may be modifying the changes.</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Related Maine Learning Results</b></p>	<p>D. The Physical Setting  D4. Force and Motion  Students describe the force of gravity, the motion of objects, the properties of waves, and the wavelike property of energy in light waves.  d. Describe and apply an understanding of how electric currents and magnets can exert force on each other.</p> <p>E. The Living Environment  E2. Ecosystems  d. Students examine how the characteristics of the physical, non-living (abiotic) environment, the types and behaviors of living (biotic) organisms, and the flow of matter and energy affect organisms and the ecosystem of which they are part.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sample Lessons And Activities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Design and build electric circuits using batteries, clip leads, bulbs, sockets, buzzers, switches, etc.</li> <li>▪ Use compasses and other materials to produce and visualize a magnetic field.</li> <li>▪ Design, build, and test an electro-magnet.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sample Classroom Assessment Methods</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Demonstrate the ability to build a complete circuit.</li> <li>▪ Following a protocol, demonstrate the ability to improve the design of an electro-magnet.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sample Resources</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <u>Publications:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <u>Discover: Electricity Files</u></li> <li>○ Pamphlets created by Project Re-Seed volunteers</li> <li>○ <a href="http://ippex.pppl.gov/interactive/electricity/intro.html">http://ippex.pppl.gov/interactive/electricity/intro.html</a></li> <li>○ <a href="http://www.nvenergy.com/kids_safety/electric/index.html">http://www.nvenergy.com/kids_safety/electric/index.html</a></li> <li>○ <a href="http://education.jlab.org/reading/magnets.html">http://education.jlab.org/reading/magnets.html</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul>